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House File 311

February 19, 1947.
Fish and Game.

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A BILL FOR

An Act to permit trolling from power boats and sail boats on
the four largest lakes in the state.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- 1 Section 1. Section one hundred nine point seventy-
- 2 seven (109.77), Code 1946, is hereby amended by inserting after
- 3 the word, "state" in line three (3), the following:
- 4 "except Spirit Lake, West Okoboji Lake, Clear Lake, and
- 5 Storm Lake".

EXPLANATION OF H. F. 311

Trolling, to be at all effective, must be done at slow speeds. Trolling by motor boat is considered to be less effective in taking fish than trolling by manual propulsion. On the larger lakes, because of wind and waves, it is virtually impossible for an individual to operate a hand propelled boat and, at the same time, manipulate fishing tackle. This necessitates hiring high priced guides whose services are out of reach of a large majority of fishermen. Many of our fishermen at these lakes are elderly people who are denied the pleasure of trolling because the exertion necessary in rowing a boat is beyond their physical powers. The enactment of this legislation would increase the fishing pleasure of many of our citizens without endangering fishing potentials of these larger lakes.